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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Communication mailed on April 5, 2005.

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REMARKS

A Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief was mailed on April 4, 2005. It was stated that the Appeal Brief was non-compliant as not containing a heading for the grouping of the claims. Section 37 CFR 41.37(c) has been amended to no longer require the grouping of the claims. Applicant has also discussed this with the Examiner who indicated that the Appeal Brief as already filed complies with the rules. Applicant requests consideration of the Appeal.

No additional fees are seen to be required. If any additional fees are due, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482, in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds, P.C., for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment. Therefore, favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully Submitted,

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